



Jumping in with both feet requires jumping. Have faith. Take a risk. Know that God will multiply your gift and do great things through you and in you. Challenge yourself, take a leap forward, and experience the joys of generosity.

At The Water’s Edge, our giving to the annual budget supports our ministries and missions. Each year we make an annual commitment supporting the ministries and missions of The Water’s Edge. Here is why WE commit:

- WE believe returning a portion of our financial resources to do God’s work through our church is an act of worship.
- WE believe that living a life of generosity frees us spiritually and financially. It changes us from an inward focus to an outward focus.
- The annual financial commitments fund many ministries of the church including worship, children’s ministries, student ministries, life groups, pastoral care and support, and missions.

Over the years, The Water’s Edge has made a large impact on many lives in our community, our city, and in our world. This has been possible because of the generosity of our church family.

### MONTHLY GIVING CHART

The following chart provides examples of what monthly giving looks like at various incomes and different levels of generosity. Many of our families practice tithing (giving 10%). Others find themselves elsewhere on the chart. The far right column is the amount of money a 2% increase in your current generosity would be. Challenge yourself to increase your yearly giving by 2% until you are practicing tithing.

Annual Income	Monthly Income	10%	7%	5%	3%	2%
\$25,000	\$2,083	\$208	\$146	\$104	\$63	\$42
\$50,000	\$4,167	\$417	\$292	\$208	\$125	\$83
\$75,000	\$6,260	\$625	\$438	\$313	\$188	\$125
\$100,000	\$8,333	\$833	\$583	\$417	\$250	\$167
\$125,000	\$10,417	\$1,042	\$729	\$521	\$313	\$208
\$150,000	\$12,500	\$1,250	\$875	\$625	\$375	\$250
\$175,000	\$14,583	\$1,458	\$1,021	\$729	\$438	\$292
\$200,000	\$16,667	\$1,667	\$1,167	\$833	\$500	\$333

“AM I JUMPING IN WITH BOTH FEET?”



## 2023 ANNUAL BUDGET COMMITMENT GUIDE TO GIVING



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# THE GIVING CHALLENGE

**“WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS,  
THERE YOUR HEART WILL BE ALSO.”**

## WE ANNUAL GIVING STATISTICS

AMOUNT	# HOUSEHOLDS	% HOUSEHOLDS	% TOTAL GIFTS
\$0	201	28.8%	0.0%
\$0-\$999	211	30.3%	6.0%
\$1,000-\$1,999	100	14.3%	10.3%
\$2,000-\$2,999	59	8.5%	10.9%
\$3,000-\$4,999	53	7.6%	15.9%
\$5,000-\$6,999	30	4.3%	13.7%
\$7,000-\$9,999	20	2.9%	13.0%
\$10K-\$19,999	17	2.4%	17.1%
\$20,000+	6	0.9%	13.0%
<b>GIVING HOUSEHOLDS</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

Challenge yourself to jump in with both feet when it comes to giving. Calculate the percentage you are currently giving and increase that percentage by 1% or 2% per year until you reach 10%. Pray and plan!

Another option is look where you are on our church's giving chart. Challenge yourself to move down the chart a few rows for the next few years. Jump in with both feet and experience the joys of generosity.

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## ANNUAL COMMITMENT

### BEGIN WITH PRAYER

Thank God for all He has done in your life and ask for guidance and discernment. Recognize that your offerings express both your desire to serve the Lord and your investment in God's work.

### ASSESS YOUR FINANCES

Take a look at your budget. What does your spending say about your priorities? If you want to learn more about biblically based financial management, we have resources to assist you.

### MAKE A COMMITMENT

Determine the percentage of your income that you will give in 2023 and complete the Annual Giving Commitment Card. If you are not tithing yet, start where you are and take the next step. Consider increasing the percentage you are giving each year until you reach 10%. Remember that your annual commitment supports the ministries and operations of The Water's Edge.

### CONSIDER RECURRING GIVING

Recurring giving is a plan for regular giving each month.

Types of recurring giving include:

- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) - this is the best option for the church!
- Recurring online giving
- Recurring giving in the bill pay options offered by your bank

Recurring giving allows you to give your tithes and offerings to God first and ensures the church receives your gifts consistently.

## WAYS TO GIVE

Annual Giving Commitments begin January 1, 2023 and continue through December 31, 2023 (this is a separate commitment from any capital campaign gift).

### ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (EFT)

To establish an electronic funds transfer, you will need to complete the commitment card authorizing the EFT and attach a voided check for the account you will use. To change the amount of your current EFT, indicate the change on your commitment card or contact [jennie@weomaha.com](mailto:jennie@weomaha.com).

### ONLINE & TEXT GIVING

Online Giving is a convenient, secure online system for debit or credit card transactions. It also allows you to submit your gift via text. To use Online Giving, visit [weomaha.com/give](http://weomaha.com/give). To use Text Giving, text GIVE to 402-850-2420. Both options will ask you to provide your credit or debit card information the first time you give.

### CHECK

When giving via check, please be sure to identify the purpose of the gift in the memo line on your check. Checks can be given during our weekly worship services or mailed to: The Water's Edge Church, 19600 Harrison Street Gretna, NE 68028

### APPRECIATED STOCK

Stocks and other securities are a welcome gift. Many have found that the tax savings available through this giving option have made this an ideal way to fulfill their commitment.

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